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Asquith's Battle Is At The Polls Today

This is By-Election Day in Paisley

Labour Party Said to Be Admirably Organized—Women's Vote a Large Factor—Keen Interest But Result Not Known at Once.

(Canadian Press.)

London, Feb. 12.—Ex-Premier Asquith, replying to the national party letter, declares that he never recommended a grant of any honor except for public service and that none should be given for cash contributions to party funds.

The whole country is watching the election with great interest. The press generally maintains that it has a great import for the future of liberalism and may exercise an important influence upon the re-organization of the parties in the nation.

CURE OF CITIES AFFECTING FARMS

Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 12.—The abandonment of farm life by men and boys during the last year for the city has left more than 24,000 habitable farm houses in the state of New York vacant.

NO TROUBLE AND WOULD DO AWAY WITH THE TREATY

Washington, D. C., Feb. 12.—Abrogation of the treaty with Great Britain and the Canadian boundary commission was proposed in the House yesterday by Representative Smith, Republican of Illinois.

Smallpox in Ontario

Toronto, Feb. 12.—There were forty-eight fewer smallpox cases in Ontario last week than in the previous week; nevertheless a dozen municipalities reported to the provincial health department that smallpox has made its first appearance there in the last week.

Death of William Fletcher

Frederickton, Feb. 12.—(Special)—William Fletcher, aged fifty-nine years, died a Tuesday night at Littleton, N. B.

The Allies and Austria

Vienna, Feb. 12.—(Havas)—A bill put into execution clauses of the St. Germain treaty, imposing upon Austria obligations to return documents, relics and objects of art, taken from occupied territories during the war, has been adopted by the national assembly.

CHESS PRODIGY

Berlin, Feb. 12.—An eight-year-old champion from Poland, Samuel Lewiski, is playing the best chess play in Berlin. He can play a game without seeing the board, remembering the moves in his head.

THE PORTLAND ROLLING MILLS

Matter of Taxation Deal With by Council This Morning—Disposal of Sewerage from Lansdowne Avenue.

The matter of an application from the Portland Rolling Mills for an extension of the old agreement with the city by which the company was assessed on a fixed valuation of \$4,000 personal property, was again taken up at this morning's committee meeting of the common council.

The city comptroller, Adam P. McIntyre, submitted a report on the company's finances. He stated that the agreement had expired in 1911, but this valuation had been continued until last year when the assessors fixed the actual valuation at a much higher figure.

On motion of Commissioner Fisher, it was decided that the city would advertise for proposals for the disposal of sewerage from Lansdowne Avenue to the pleasure of the common council.

Lansdowne Avenue Matter

The following report was presented by Commissioner Jones and was on his motion ordered received: The improvements asked for by the property owners in Lansdowne Avenue to be undertaken under the Local Improvement act, suggested that the question of providing a sewerage outlet, via Newmarket brook be referred to the commissioner of water and sewerage for consideration.

QUESTIONS OF THE HOUSE

Quebec, Feb. 12.—A strong opponent to the admission of women to the bar in the Province of Quebec dropped up in the legislative assembly in the person of J. H. Lemay, a lawyer representing Sherbrooke.

Recommending the debate on the Mills bill to permit women to practice law, he held that the large majority of women were the most strenuous efforts to secure a privilege and that there were very few who availed themselves of it in its continuance of national interest.

WESTERN FARMERS AND THE NATIONAL WHEAT MARKETING

Saskatoon, Sask., Feb. 12.—A warning to the organized farmers of Saskatchewan that the most strenuous efforts would be put forward by certain interests to oppose any movement looking toward the nationalization of the marketing of wheat, by Hon. George Langley, minister of municipal affairs in the Saskatchewan government, and prominent as an old time member of the Grain Growers' Association, provided the chief topic of comment at the opening session of the nineteenth annual convention of the farmers of this province yesterday.

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Copenhagen, Feb. 12.—Denmark won an overwhelming victory in the province of Schleswig which the future status of that district was determined, according to official figures issued here this morning. These figures show that Danish agriculturists cast 75,023 votes while the Germans polled but 25,087.

EIGHT OUNCES WOULD BE LIMIT OF PRESCRIPTION

Winnipeg, Feb. 12.—Eight ounces of liquor will be the limit that physicians can prescribe in Manitoba, if the Temperance Act is ratified by the legislature. A new system of false prescription form is also recommended. It is understood that the new forms will be printed on special paper which will be impossible to counterfeit. A duplicate of each one issued will be returned to the liquor administration set office.

ROTHSCHILD IS REPORTED DEAD IN PARIS

New York, Feb. 12.—A report of the death of Baron Edmond E. Rothschild has been received from Paris by the Zionist organization of America. Baron Rothschild was seventy-four years of age and the head of the French branch of the famous banking house of his name.

ALL IN FAVOR OF THIS STRIKE, PLEASE SAY "AYE"



—Chapin in St. Louis Republic.

As Hiram Sees It

"Look here," said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam to the Times reporter this morning, "when are they going to start even classes on harbor commission?"

"I didn't know it was proposed at all," said the reporter. "What has harbor commission to do with that?" asked the reporter. "It's the boulder across the track," said Hiram, "but it's the monkey wrench thrown into the cog-wheels. An' the people don't seem to know it. They don't even know what it is. If they did they'd put it to one side an' clear the track right away. As long as them fellows in Ottawa kin police harbor commission up to you as something that had been fixed up for you, you won't get what you orlo got—no, sir. An' if the people kin all about it they'd ask that city council to appoint a day for the funeral—yes, sir. After that you might get 'em to pay the higher rate, a suspension of business, would follow."

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NO ENCOURAGEMENT FOR McLENNAN IN THIS EDITORIAL

Sydney Record Sees in National Party Effort to Keep Alive High Protection.

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THE LOSS OF EMPEROR

Constantinople, Feb. 12.—A telegram from Verna today says that the Russian Emperor Peter the Great, which was struck a mine and was lost recently, had 700 Russian refugees on board from Odessa and Sebastopol, but that the ship was not of much value as it is believed most of them were saved.

WEATHER REPORT

Synopsis—Several shallow depressions exist on the continent this morning, while pressure remains highest on the British Columbia coast. Some light local snowfalls have occurred in the western provinces and local snow flurries from Ontario to the maritime provinces, but on the whole the weather has been fair.

GABRIEL FACES A LONG TERM BEHIND BARS

Newark, N. J., Feb. 12.—Walter Gabriel, twenty-six years old, secretary of the communist party of New Jersey, faces a prison term of twenty years and a fine of \$5,000 as a result of his conviction last night on a charge of violating two sections of the state sedition act passed in 1918.

SIX DEATHS AS THE RESULT OF RIOT

Lexington, Ky., Feb. 12.—James Mesinger, Lexington, who was shot through the left lung during a riot Monday, died in St. Joseph's Hospital yesterday, making the sixth victim.

Wilson Taking Up The Railway Wages Matter

Washington, Feb. 12.—President Wilson will have a personal conference tomorrow with three representatives of the railroad brotherhoods to discuss the wage demands of the two million railroad employees which are to be referred to him today by Director Gen. Hines.

INCLINED TO LET KAISER BE

Italian Newspaper's Comment on Extradition List

Berlin Journal Says Sussex Sunk by Lieutenant, Now Dead, and Not by Man Whom the Allies Want.

GERMAN BRIDES OF U. S. SOLDIERS

They Number About 200—Men and Wives Being Sent to States.

AGAINST STATE OWNERSHIP OF THE INDUSTRIES

Conference of British Manufacturers and Producers on the Mines Question.

HANDLED EXPORTS OF \$700,000,000 AT MONTREAL

Shipping Federation's Annual Meeting Declares Pilotage Conditions Unsatisfactory Because of Pooling.

NOT KNOW THE PAISLEY RESULT TILL FEBRUARY 25

London, Feb. 12.—Announcement of the result of today's parliamentary election in the Paisley constituency, in which former Premier Asquith is a candidate, will not be made until Feb. 25, according to a statement published here this morning.

ADVOCATES A RAILWAY LINE TO LABRADOR

Mean More Rapid Service Across Ocean

Quebec Legislature Member Says It Would Bring Into Existence the All Red Line for Which Sir Wilfrid Laurier Spoke.

Quebec, Feb. 12.—The development of all the resources of the province of Quebec, the construction of a railway to the north shore of the St. Lawrence from Montreal and Quebec to Labrador for the purpose of a rapid communication with Europe and closer and more direct relations with Newfoundland, were questions treated by A. Bergevin, member for Beauharnois, in the legislative assembly on a motion for the production of reports, plans and correspondence dealing with these matters.

PROBING CHARGES MADE BY SOLDIERS

Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 12.—Judge Snyder of this city yesterday began an investigation into charges preferred by returned soldiers that patients in the asylum here had been mistreated. The investigation is being held in camera.

BOLO PASHA'S WIDOW WINS CASE IN PARIS

Paris, Feb. 12.—Mrs. Alexander Pratt who before Dec. 23 last was Madame Bolo Pasha, today won a decision in the higher court here in a suit against relatives of her former husband, who was executed at Vincennes April 17, 1918. These relatives attacked the validity of her marriage to the Levantine banker, but this ceremony was validated by the court today.

GRANT MORDEN GIVES UP CHAIRMANSHIP OF BRITISH CELLULOSE COMPANY

London, Feb. 12.—By Canadian press—Col. Grant Morden has retired from the chairmanship of the British Cellulose Company and is to be succeeded by Harry MacGowan, a director of the Canadian company and other companies. Colonel Morden's retirement was due to the necessity of his making a prolonged stay in Canada.

LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY

New York, Feb. 12.—Today, Lincoln's birthday, is a public holiday throughout the United States. The stock markets, banks and financial houses are all closed as well as the majority of the industrial and commercial establishments.

Halifax Clearings Smaller

Halifax, Feb. 12.—Bank clearings for this week were \$3,825,410.50; in 1919 \$4,366,224.11.

P. E. I. FOX DEAL

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Feb. 12.—A big fox deal was closed here yesterday, when J. S. Wedlock of this city purchased the Black Banks property from James C. Tuplin. It consists of 220 acres of land, 100 ranches and sixty-six foxes. The price was more than \$100,000.

Charlottetown Elections

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Feb. 12.—Results in civic elections yesterday were: Mayor—Daniel J. Riley. Councilors—P. A. Smith, William Moran, R. B. Rattery, J. A. Webster, Dr. L. J. Yeo, R. H. Jenkins, L. B. Miller, J. J. McKinnon. Water commissioners—Charles McGregor, James McDonald, John McKenna.

No One Man Cars

Nelson, B. C., Feb. 12.—The new city council of Nelson has decided against one-man street cars.

One of the South African airplanes in the London-Cape Town flight, the Silver Queen, crashed early yesterday morning. None of the crew were injured.

Table with columns for location, temperature, and time. Locations include Prince Rupert, Victoria, Kamloops, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, and Montreal. Times range from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.